State Police Forces are placing their demand of funds with their respective Governments for equipping their force to meet the challenges either under Modernisation of Police Forces Schemes or otherwise. Weaponry items and security equipments including sophisticated weaponry are being purchased by the State Police Forces keeping in view their operation requirements. Financial assistance of Rs. 5.004 crore has been given to the States under Modernisation of Police Force Scheme during the last 5 years (2003-04 to 2007-08).

Modernisation of CPMFs is an ongoing process and the Government on a continuous basis takes necessary steps and measures to ensure that the Police Forces are expanded and upgraded with modern technologies, weapons and tactics to effectively meet the security threats.

Greater investment in security technology

295. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister has emphasised on the need for greater investment in security technology to counter terrorism and boost internal security efforts;

(b) if so, whether Government is proposing to seek latest security technology from the developed countries;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the existing available technology is not properly used for security; and

(e) if so, the plans formulated to make use of such technologies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Prime Minister, in his inaugural address during the Chief Minister's conference held on 06.01.2009, has emphasized on the need for a comprehensive strategy that combines the best of technological and human capabilities within the country to defeat terrorism in all its manifestations.

(b) to (e) The existing and available technologies are being utilised properly. Under the ongoing Modernisation Scheme for the Central Para Military Forces and Modernisation Scheme for State Police Organisations, weapons and equipments of latest technologies available within the country or through imports are provided to the Police Forces to counter security threats.

Nexus between mafia and terrorists

296. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: